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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 3736
PATENT**
Customer No. 22,878
Attorney Docket No. 10003016-1
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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BOECKER et al.)	Art Unit: 3736
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Application No.: 09/981,483)	Examiner: FOREMAN, Jonathan M.
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Advisory Action mailed April 7, 2004 (in association with the Office Action mailed January 16, 2004), and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14.